graduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow from 1986-87 onwards.

Assistance by way of a soft loan of Rs. 37.17 crores has also been extended for the establishment of the National Institute of Biologicals, NOIDA (U.P.) starting from the VIIIth Five Year Plan.

Allocation for road development

*114. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated for road development during the Eighth Five Year Plan period;

(b) the projected estimates of expenditure on roads during the above period;

(c) the manner in which the expected gap, if any, is proposed to be met by Government;

(d) whether Government propose to involve private sector alongwith the public sector in road development; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) A requirement of Rs. 7,830 crores was projected to the Planning Commission for Central sector roads programme in the 8th Plan. However, an outlay of Rs. 2,600 crores has been agreed to.

(c) to (e) In order to bridge the gap to the extent possible between the projected requirement and funds in the Plan, it is proposed to facilitate participation of the private sector in the maintenance and development of National Highways. One of the prerequisite for this is an amendment of the National Highway Act, 1956 to enable levy of fee on selected sections of National Highways. A bill for amending the N. H. Act was introduced in the Lok Sabha on 27th February, 1992.

Railway terminal at Kurla in Bombay

*115. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a new Railway terminal has been set up at Kurla in Bombay from where numerous long distance trains originate and terminate;

(b) if so, the number of new trains which originate/terminate from this terminal;

(c) whether it is a fact that the facilities at this terminal are inadequate to meet the demands of the commuters; and

(d) what steps Government propose to take to increase the facilities at this terminal and make the terminal more accessible to the passengers?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) and (b) Only five pairs of trains originate/terminate from Kurla Terminal.

(c) and (d) Kurla terminal, which is meant for long distance trains, has been partially commissioned providing basic facilities for the trains dealt here at present. Some more facilities of permanent nature have not been provided as sites for these structures are falling within the disputed land. This is a part of the master plan of a major terminal with support infrastructure. However, the progress of the work has been affected by dispute over land and a related court order.

Expansion Plans for Bharat Petroleum

*116. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. proposes